

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF

PROPOSITION 1A

Rebuttal to Yes on Proposition 1A Argument

No on 1A: A POLITICAL BOONDOGGLE

The same politicians who can't solve our budget crisis and want to raise your taxes think they can run their own government railroad. Even they admit this high cost train hits taxpayers for \$40 billion. Even so, this is just a "partial payment" by taxpayers, with NO guarantee it will be completed.

The project wasted \$58 million on consultants, European travel and fancy brochures and now *billions more may be spent without laying an inch of track – money we'd have to repay even if the project failed.*

The special interests backing Prop. 1A are notorious for their *multi-billion dollar cost overruns.*

No on 1A: \$20 BILLION IN DEBT REPAYMENT = INCREASED TAXES

Politicians admit that Prop. 1A will annually cost California taxpayers \$647 million each year for 30 years to repay debt. With California's already high debt levels, this will lead politicians to raise your taxes. California is America's 4th highest taxed state and high taxes chase jobs out of California. Passage of Prop. 1A may result in California passing New York to be the highest taxed state in America.

No on 1: EXPAND EXISTING TRANSIT SYSTEMS INSTEAD

Californians' problem is not getting from San Francisco to Los Angeles, it's getting into work each day.

Investing the same amount of money in regional transit and highway congestion relief would reduce pollution and our reliance on foreign oil.

NO ON PROP 1A: WEAK accountability, NO congestion relief for suffering commuters and TAXPAYERS CAN'T AFFORD IT!

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